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## Los Angeles Man Sentenced For Sexually Assaulting Five Boys

A 58-year-old man was sentenced today to more than four decades in state prison for molesting five boys between 2000 and 2007, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Amador Valencia Santos was sentenced to 47 years and four months to life in prison by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Stephen Marcus, who also ordered lifetime sex offender registration for the defendant.

In December, Santos was found guilty of three counts of oral copulation on a minor, two counts each of sodomy on a child, lewd acts upon a child and continuous sexual abuse and one count of attempted sodomy.

Deputy District Attorney Paul Thompson of the Sex Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

Over a seven-year period, Santos sexually abused five boys ranging in age from 7 to 17 years old. The defendant preyed upon his victims, most of whom were being raised by single mothers, by often convincing the families he could be a surrogate father to the boys.

Santos bought them video games, clothing and other items. He also took them on outings that lasted several days and had them sleep over at his house, according to evidence presented at trial.

Santos introduced the victims to pornography and then sexually assaulted them, the prosecutor said.

Case BA454491 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Southwest Division.

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